Title: Need for doubling of railway line between Kharagpur and Midnapore in West Bengal.- Laid.

SHRI PRABODH PANDA (MIDNAPORE): There is single railway line between Kharagpur Junction and Midnapore railway stations in South Eastern Railways, which requires to be doubled. More than sixty-five passenger, express and Super-Fast Express train including Rajdhani Express ply every day. The first Railway Budget of the present Government has taken up this line for the survey work. Not it has been done. The estimated cost is around Rs. 44 crores. The proposal is placed before the Ministry for doubling this six kilometre long railway line with a new railway bridge over river Kosai in between Midnapore and Gokulpur Railway Stations.

I urge upon the Minister of Railways to sanction the aforesaid project at the earliest.